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SUPPORT SYSTEM FOR LATERALLY REMOVABLE SASH

## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED 26 FEBRUARY 1999**

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## AMENDMENT

## In the Claims

Please amend claims 12, 29, 39, and 52 as follows:

12. (TWICE AMENDED) In a system counterbalancing a window sash supported by a pair of counterbalanced sash shoes so that the sash extends between a pair of jambs from which the sash is removable by maneuvering the sash upward and laterally while the shoes are locked in the jambs, the improvement comprising:

- the shoes being formed of a metal extrusion having a a. predetermined, evenly extending profile establishing an elevational configuration of the shoes;
- the profile configuring an upper region of the shoes b. interconnected with counterbalance elements; and
- the profile configuring a lower region of the shoes for C. supporting the sash.

(TWICE AMENDED) A counterbalance sash shoe 29. comprising: